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# POTENTATE'S BALL AND LADIES' NIGHT

**IMPERIAL BALLROOM • STATLER HOTEL • BOSTON**

**Wednesday Evening, Oct. 31, 1945 at 8:30 P.M.**

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**Wednesday afternoon, October 31, 1945**

For the Nobility, their ladies and guests (both ladies and gentlemen) **CARD PARTY**, with table prizes from **2 P. M. to 4 P.M.** — **TICKETS Fifty Cents per person** — **TABLE PRIZES.**

**SPECIAL:** Each pair of tickets purchased for the Charity Card Party in the afternoon will entitle you to one extra free ticket to the Shrine Ball that evening, admitting one couple.

**Entire Afternoon Proceeds Go to Charity Fund of Aleppo Temple.**

Harvey B. Leggee, Recorder  
97 Huntington Ave., Boston

1. ☐ As a Noble of Aleppo Temple, in good standing, I desire **without charge**, a ticket for one couple to the Potentate's Ball on Wednesday evening, Oct 31, **admitting myself and one lady.** I enclose my 1945 Shrine card and **stamped addressed return envelope** for the same, and will wear my Fez.
2. ☐ Enclosed find check for \$.....in payment of..... tickets (at 50 cents each) to Bridge Party on Wednesday afternoon, October 31.
3. ☐ Enclosed find check for \$.....as a **donation**, for Bridge Party purposes; no card party tickets desired. See "SPECIAL" notice above.

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**ALEPPO  
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**CHAIRMAN WILSON REPORTS  
ON SHRINE CIRCUS**

**A**LEPPO Temple and Potentate Arthur A. Sondheim have every reason to be proud of our fifth annual Shrine Circus at the Boston Garden this autumn. Each performance, and the total attendance, was the largest yet. Best of all, those who attended one or more performances were enthusiastically of the opinion that the entertainment was easily the best we have ever presented. Such features as Court's troupe of twelve wild lions and tigers in a 60-foot arena (five years with Ringling), Miss Victory shot out of a cannon the length of the Garden, and comedy acts with the quality and appeal of Slivers Johnson with his famous yellow fivver and trailer, A. A. Robbins as the famous "banana man" and the Broadway Bryants with their collapsible legs, could not fail to provide an outstanding spectacle both for children and for children grown up!

The loyal response of our membership ticket sale gave early indications of success for this year's offering. This was followed by triple the usual number of kiddies forwarding suggestions in our contest to name Aleppo's 1945 gift to the Franklin Park Zoo — a baby camel born in March of this year, and appropriately named "Vee Vee" for our double victory in World War II.

Granted that our annual circus is promoted primarily to keep Aleppo Temple on the map, as well as to assure annual happiness for thousands of under-privileged children, we also can feel that the effort has also resulted in real financial benefit for our Temple. Only an organization of the size and quality of Aleppo Temple could ever afford to undertake the sponsorship of an entire week's entertainment at the big Boston Garden. This outstanding display has reminded the Boston public, and especially potential Masons and Shriners in Metropolitan Boston, that Aleppo Temple is not only the fourth largest Shrine Temple in North America, but actually a real and active factor in our community. Each year also, through the generosity of our Nobility, and an interested public, thousands of donated tickets have assured a happy afternoon for children from every institution and home in Boston, who would otherwise just hear and read about childhood's paradise — THE CIRCUS. Financially, for us, the proceeds of our circus during the first four years — without one cent of cost, or risk, for Aleppo Temple — have bought no less than 232 complete new patrol and band uniforms, and 33 partial outfits, at a cost of \$11,358, in addition to \$21,700 in cash paid into the treasury of Aleppo Temple!

Other features have been the payment of the entire proceeds of all program sales in 1942 to the Army and Navy Relief Societies, and annual donations to both the School Committee Hot Food Fund for

poorer school children and the K. of P. free summer camps for children of the poor. Each year, service men in uniform have been Aleppo's guests — especially including over 1,000 wounded veterans from Cushing General Hospital, Chelsea Naval Hospital and others. On October 4, 1945, over 60 performers from our circus gave a one-hour show at the new Veterans' Hospital in Waltham.

Our annual animal-naming contest for the children, with War Bonds and Stamps as prizes, together with free tickets, meant plenty of happiness and a real thrill for the little folks, and has included the presentation of two camels, a chimpanzee, and an African eland to the Franklin Park Zoo as a continuous reminder of the Shrine, and Aleppo Temple, to the thousands who visit this great outdoor Park every day of the year.

Our fifth annual Circus is now history. It has been the *biggest and best ever!* I feel sure that all our Nobility will cooperate in making an early closing of our accounts possible by immediate returns to the Temple of all *unsold* tickets, as well as a final accounting for all tickets sold.

The 1945 results have already made the effort worth while. YOU have made this record success possible. Because *no* fraternal organization could possibly undertake and carry through to a successful conclusion a project of this magnitude and quality without the enthusiastic support of an intensely loyal membership.

Yours with and in the Faith,

ROBERT GARDINER WILSON, JR.,  
*Chairman.*



**PRESIDENTIAL CEREMONIAL**

**O**N November 16, 1945 Ararat Temple of Kansas City, Mo., is holding a special Ceremonial in honor of one of its distinguished members, Noble Harry S. Truman, President of the United States.

Past Potentate Frank S. Land of Ararat and a boyhood chum of the President recently visited the White House for the purpose of inviting the President to this Ceremonial given in his honor.

In response to the invitation the President assured Noble Land that he would be in attendance at this outstanding Shrine meeting providing conditions in Washington would allow him to leave the Capitol at that time.

Potentate Frank S. Allison of Ararat Temple has appointed a membership committee and hopes to obtain 1,000 novices for the "Truman" class. Temples in the vicinity of Kansas City have been invited to participate in this Ceremonial with their Bands and Patrols. It looks like a big time for Ararat on November 16.

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**NORTHEASTERN SHRINE  
ASSOCIATION  
ELECTS NEW OFFICERS**

**T**HE Tenth Annual Meeting of the Northeastern Shrine Association was held in the city Auditorium at Concord, N. H., Friday, September 28.

The meeting was presided over by Pres. Charles H. Barnard. Noble Barnard, who has served as a Sergeant in the Army for the past three years arrived home in time to preside over this Session. In the absence of Noble Barnard, Dr. Maurice P. King, of Anah Temple, Vice-President, has been acting as President of the Association.

Many notable Shriners attended this Session including the Imperial Potentate, Illustrious William H. Woodfield, Jr., of San Francisco; Imperial 2nd Ceremonial Master Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr.; the Governor of New Hampshire, Noble Charles M. Dale and the Mayor of Concord, Past Potentate Charles J. McKee.

The newly elected officers to serve the Association for the coming year are: Dr. Maurice P. King of Anah Temple, Bangor, President; Dr. Roscoe E. Avery of Mount Sinai Temple, Montpelier, Vice-President and Harvey B. Leggee, Recorder of Aleppo Temple as Secretary-Treasurer.

Representatives to the Association from Aleppo in addition to Imperial Officer Wilson and Recorder Leggee were: Past Potentate Willard P. Lombard, Potentate Arthur A. Sondheim, Assistant Rabban Justin A. Duncan and Treasurer Frank W. Morrill. Other Aleppo Nobles present at this meeting were Oriental Guide Frank B. Ells and 1st Ceremonial Master N. Russell Lynn.

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South Boston, Mass.

**Fifth Annual Shrine Circus at Boston  
Garden Breaks Attendance Record**

**Aleppo Presents Camel to Zoo  
Named "Vee Vee" by School Children**

**T**HE fifth annual Aleppo Shrine Circus held in the Boston Garden, September 30 through October 7, was an outstanding success this year and nearly doubled the attendance over last year.

The Shriners of Aleppo can be justly proud of this undertaking and happy to know that they were the sponsors of this high class, all professional Circus conducted by Col. Robert E. Morton and comparable to any of its kind in the world. The Chairman of the Circus Committee, Past Potentate Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr., was very happy with the results attained and elated to know that this fifth annual venture recorded a greater attendance during its eight day stand at Boston Garden than that of the recent ten day showing of the Ringling Bros., and Barnum & Bailey Circus in the same building.

In connection with the circus this year Aleppo presented to the Franklin Park Zoo another camel which was named in a contest participated in by the school children of Greater Boston.

This new six month's old camel is to be the mate of "Jeep" the first camel presented to Franklin Park Zoo three years ago by Aleppo Temple. The winner of the contest this year was 9-year-old Edward Kelleher, who submitted the winning name of "Vee Vee." This appropriate name signifies America's double victory this year and the year in which this camel was born.

Master Kelleher, who lives at 158 Ashmont Street, Dorchester, received the first prize of a \$25.00 War Bond for his accomplishment. Running only slightly behind the winner were 54 other prize winners who hopefullly submitted camel names. Two were tied for second place and received \$10.00 each in War Savings Stamps. They were Roger Lawrence of Mattapan and David Warde of Belmont. Two other youngsters were also tied for third place and received \$5.00 each in War Savings Stamps. The remaining prize winners received \$1.00 each in War Savings Stamps for their suggested names. The 1,800 youngsters who entered the contest all received a pair of tickets to the Circus as guests of Aleppo Temple.

The following editorial commending Aleppo Temple on its gift to Boston's Zoo appeared in a recent issue of the Boston Post.

**"ZOO GIFT"**

"Aleppo Temple of the Mystic Shrine performs a splendid service in making annual gifts to the Franklin Park Zoo. This year a baby camel is to be given to the zoo as a companion for "Jeep," a camel presented to the city's children some time ago. The zoo is a big attraction. The children, especially, find delight and thrills there. The Aleppo Temple deserves credit for keeping interest in the zoo alive and

making visits there more pleasurable."

The camel, upon its arrival in Boston Friday, September 21, was officially received at City Hall for the city by Mayor John E. Kerrigan. Mayor Kerrigan also was present at the Tuesday evening performance of the circus and participated in the presentation of prizes to the youngsters.

"Vee Vee" was exhibited before each matinee performance and received a tumultuous greeting by the youngsters.

Curator Dan Harkins of the Franklin Park Zoo advises that the new baby camel has already attracted a great deal of attention by the visitors to the zoo and he hopes that many of the members of Aleppo and their families will pay a visit to "Jeep" and "Vee Vee."

The Shrine Circus again this year included the outstanding circus acts of the world, many of which had never appeared before in Boston, including "Miss Victory" the only woman in the world to be shot from a monster cannon. Last year the members of Aleppo Temple acted as host to over 18,000 underprivileged and children confined to Greater Boston institutions, sending these youngsters as their guests. Each ticket purchased by a member and returned to the committee admitted two of these youngsters as a guest of a Shiner.

This year the Circus Daddy's Club have had the privilege of sponsoring over 26,000 of these unfortunate youngsters. The Circus Committee advise that the number of children far exceeded the tickets donated by members for this purpose. Therefore, the committee would appreciate further donations of daddy tickets from those who have not yet made their circus returns.

Another editorial from the Boston Post complimenting the Shrine on their circus appeared in the September 29 issue of this newspaper as follows:

**"SHRINE'S GUESTS"**

"The circus annually sponsored by the Aleppo Temple of the Shrine, which opens tomorrow afternoon at Boston Garden, will be the means of bringing an afternoon or evening of high-class entertainment into the lives of many hundreds of under-privileged and ailing children confined to Greater Boston institutions. The work of the Shrine in having these children as its guests, regardless of race, creed or color, is a striking example of community spirit at its very best."

To further augment the community spirit as outlined in the above newspaper editorial Col. Robert E. Morton, Director of the Hamid-Morton Circus journeyed to the Waltham Regional Veterans Hospital on an afternoon during circus week and gave a complete circus show for the veterans. The members of the circus who participated and whom the Aleppo Temple wishes to thank for the wonderful donation of talent included Joe Basile and his Madison Square Band, Balzar Sisters,

Georgette Bros., Kinko, A. Barellie, Billy Rice, Ray Cosmo, A. Florenze, Ed Torrellie and Winnie Duncan.

Bob Morton and his show people are noted for their charity and humanity and leaders among them make a point of visiting veterans' and childrens' hospitals to entertain during their sojourn around the circuit.

Once again this year service men from Lovell General Hospital at Fort Devens, the Cushing General Hospital at Framingham, the Chelsea Naval Hospital at Chelsea and the Convalescent Hospital at Camp Edwards were the guests of Aleppo Temple at each one of the 12 performances.

Shrine Circus Week in Boston is now history but judging from the many letters of appreciation and personal comments of the members the show was the best yet produced and the memories will linger long.

A complete list of the prize winners in the Camel Naming Contest follows:

**First Prize**  
Edward Kelleher

**Second Prize**  
Roger Lawrence } Tie  
David Warde }

**Third Prize**  
Ann McCafferty } Tie  
Bobbie Watson }

Clair Manning  
Teresa Sullivan  
Herbert Bourgault  
Rosy Huppe  
Nancy Gildea  
Lorraine Sullivan  
Phyllis Romano  
Herbert B. Mitchell  
Marjorie Keefe  
Joseph McSweeney  
Patricia McCarron  
Peter J. Enroth  
Beverly A. McCormack  
Edward Riley  
Bernard Dupont  
Barbara Lindsay  
Maureen P. Laramio  
Patricia Haggerty  
Helen Sheehan  
Leslie Lunin  
Beverly McManus  
Albert S. Howard  
Lucian Gendron  
Frederick Kearney  
Barbara Weiner  
Evelyn DuPont  
Albert Haddad  
Mildred Kistson  
Patricia Mintle  
George Konrad  
John B. Craig  
Beryl Mills  
Billy Brennan  
Lois Russell  
Sheila Rush  
Robert Meara  
Charles Anderson  
Gerald Kaplan  
Margaret Berrane  
Claire B. Linderman  
Neil Kiely  
Dirk Wrightson  
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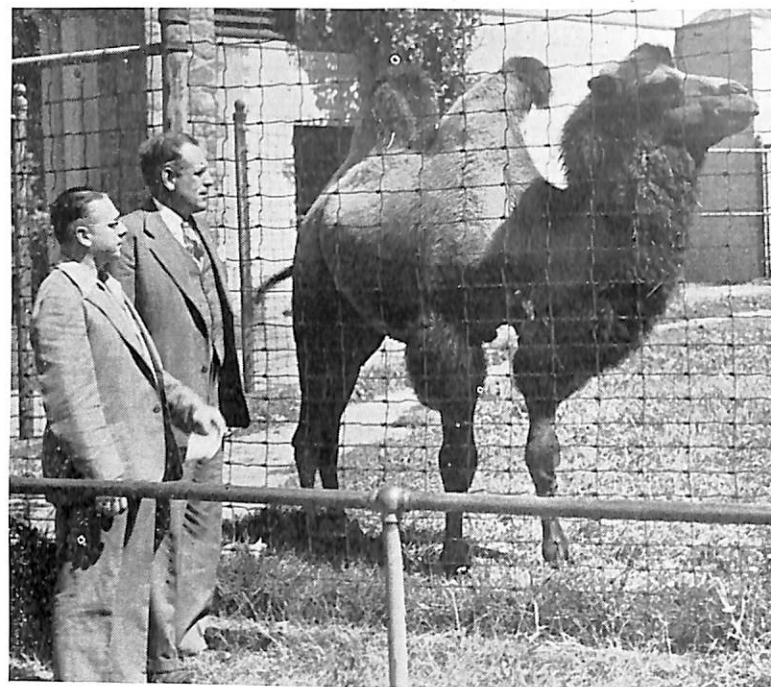
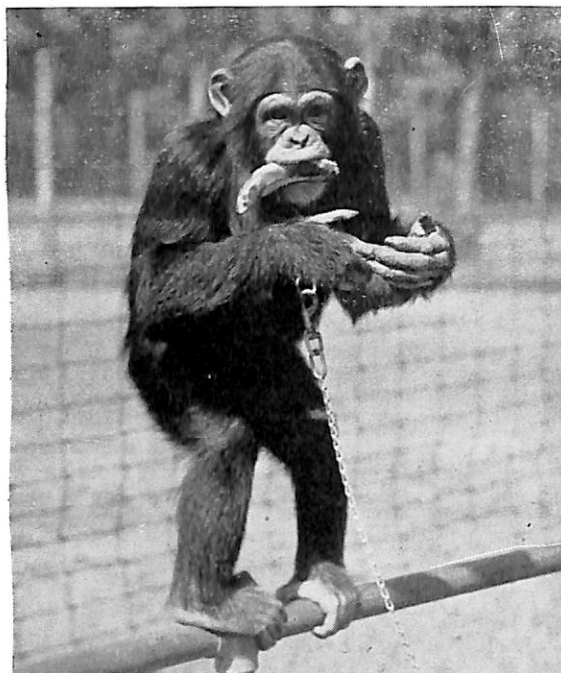
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A BABY CHIMPANZEE AND A BABY CAMEL were presented to the Franklin Park Zoo by the Aleppo Shrine Circus in 1943 and 1942 respectively.

Today they are full grown animals as shown in the above photos. "Bondie" the Chimp, enjoys a banana while "Jeep," now a towering bactrian camel, proudly poses for Past Potentate Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr., chairman of the Shrine Circus and Aleppo's Recorder Harvey B. Leggee.

#### CIRCUS LETTERS OF APPRECIATION

THE following are a few of the letters picked at random from the hundreds received from children and grown-ups alike who enjoyed the fifth annual Aleppo Shrine Circus.

"R. G. Wilson, Jr.,  
"Shrine Circus Committee,  
"97 Huntington Ave.,  
"Boston, Mass.

"Dear Noble Robert G. Wilson, Jr.:

"Enclosed is book of tickets sold to patients at the 142nd General Hospital in Calcutta, where I am stationed.

"The patients (all officers) were very happy to participate in so worthy a cause and extend their greetings. Some of them here crossed the hot sands. One is considering the prospects of becoming a member soon after his return to the States.

"Incidentally, I am a patient now and expect to return to Boston shortly, so will you kindly tell the Secretary to send my ALEPPO NEWS to my home address in Lexington beginning the next issue.

"Fraternally yours,  
"RALPH H. WELLS,  
"Major, M.C.  
"142nd General Hospital,  
"A.P.O. 465,  
"New York, N. Y."

#### "BROTHERHOOD OF RAILROAD TRAINMEN"

"Dear Noble:

"I am enclosing my check in the amount of \$10.00 in payment of the tickets you sent me for the Aleppo Temple circus.

"The kiddies on my street and I are great pals so I am keeping nine of the tickets to give them a treat and am returning the other seven so that a few more orphans may have a happy day.

"Thanking you for this opportunity to be of service and with best wishes,

"Sincerely yours,  
"F. V. L. FULLINGTON,  
"Field Supervisor."

"Dear Sirs:

"I want to thank you very much for the tickets. I tried hard for the bond but didn't make it but most of all I was wishing I'd be the one to name the camel as I love animals and I would be the happiest fellow to have the honor of naming an animal. Well, may be I'll have better luck and name next year. I wish the camel and boy who named it the best of luck and think that is a swell name.

"I sure enjoyed the show, every act was swell and I thank you for the tickets and the good seats.

"Thanks again,

"JOSEPH DIGIORGIO,  
"4917 Washington St.,  
"West Roxbury 32, Mass."

"Dear Noble:

"Enclosed is my check for \$10.00, and the remainder of a book of tickets which I wish to have used by some orphans or underprivileged children for the coming circus.

"The tickets not returned I have given to several of the above in my community so that they can get in to see the fine performance.

"Yours very truly,  
"CLIFFORD L. WARD."

"Dear Noble:

"Enclosed find check for \$10.00 amount covering price of tickets which are enclosed for the use of children of Boston that they may enjoy your fifth annual Shrine Circus.

"I have not forgotten the joy of a child privileged to attend a circus.

"You are doing such a wonderful work—may God bless and guide you in its continuation.

"In giving happiness to the least of these one cannot help but share in it.

"May success attend you in all your efforts is the wish of

"Yours fraternally,  
"CHARLES E. FOGG."

"Dear Mr. Wilson:

"The walls of the Home still echo the very enthusiastic laughter and chatter of the children, as they recall the many thrilling events seen at the Circus given under the auspices of the Aleppo Temple.

"To every child a circus means a great deal and stands out as a big event in his life. We realize that it was through your organization that once again our children have enjoyed this privilege and wish to thank you for it.

"We should appreciate your expressing our personal gratitude to all the members of the Temple and assure them that they will not be forgotten in the minds and hearts of our little ones.

"Gratefully yours,  
"SISTER EUPHEMIA."

"Gentlemen:

"I am enclosing herewith my check No. 2561 on the National Shawmut Bank for \$10.00, being payment for sixteen tickets for the circus at the Boston Garden, September 30th to October 7th.

"I have distributed these sixteen tickets to underprivileged children in this immediate vicinity for which I received many thanks.

"Yours very truly,  
"JOB E. GASKIN."



Upper left: This year's gift to the Zoo. Another baby camel "Vee Vee" is greeted at the circus in Boston Garden by Judge Wilson and Potentate Arthur A. Sondheim while two contest prize winners, David Warde, second prize winner and Edward Kelleher, who named "Vee Vee" look on with interest. Zoo curator, Dan Harkins holds "Vee Vee."

Upper right: Aleppo's Imperial Officer, Judge Wilson, takes the number 1 Shriner, Imperial Potentate William H. Woodfield, Jr., behind the scenes at Aleppo's circus.

Center left: "Bozo" — Ray Cosmo, the king of clowns has a winning way with the children at the Shrine Circus in Boston Garden.

Center right: Aleppo's new gift to the Zoo. "Vee Vee" is greeted at City Hall, Boston, by Mayor Kerrigan. Left to right: Zoo attendant, Russell Grant; Past Potentate Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr., Circus Chairman; Mayor Kerrigan and Park Commissioner Long.

Lower left: Our 1944 gift, an African Eland "Congo" likes his new home at Franklin Park Zoo.





By J. ARTHUR MCCOY  
Associate Editor

### "IT'S A DATE"

Quite often friends of mine will ask  
The little wife and me  
To set aside a night or two  
For sociability.  
And, I quite often do concur  
To call, or ride, or stroll,  
At any time but Friday eve,  
'Cause that's the Shrine Patrol.

On Sundays there's my radio,  
But that I'll gladly change.  
To miss my Monday poker game,  
I might choose to arrange.  
When Tuesdays come and Thursdays too,  
My dates I can control;  
But don't ask me on Fridays please,  
'Cause that's the Shrine Patrol.

Another successful circus week is concluded, to the great credit of Gardiner Wilson, Potentate Arthur Sondheim and his officers, and the many individual members who contributed their share in the project. Lieut. Leslie Dixon brought 337 fellow workers of the W. H. Nichols & Sons, Waltham, to the circus. This is the third year he has done it, bringing a total of 1,206, and representing a total sale of tickets to the amount of \$854.95.

We now have two brothers on the Color Guard, William M. and Martin H. Heiligmann, Jr. Both are active in Boston Commandery.

George Gardner, of the patrol, was elected State Commander of the American Legion, at the recent Convention. He has an outstanding record in the Legion, having served in many offices since he became a charter member in 1919. He will be too busy to spend much time with us for awhile.

Scratch Taylor, C.B.M., in the Coast Guard, recently released from the U. S. Marine Hospital at Brighton, expects his discharge soon. He has been places and seen much action, and like the other service men, will be glad to be back in civil life.

Howard Sharts has been several weeks at the West Roxbury Veterans' Hospital, anticipating an operation. Bob Boehner is recovering from his illness, but will be unable to stand the strenuous drills for awhile. Henry Allen is not well and has been excused from drills. Gus Schlaugk, of the third platoon, is ill at his home, 14 Buchanan Road, Roslindale.

St. Omer Commandery has drafted Capt. Bill Sharpe again into service as Eminent Commander.

"As I march along my Templar way  
I can hear my fraters say,  
What an extraordinary sharp young man  
This Sharpe young man must be!"

Aleck Campbell, too, was drafted as Generalissimo. Bill was Commander in 1941-42 and Aleck was Commander in 1932-33. With these two lively men at the head of St. Omer this year the Commandery will be heard from. The officers were installed September 17, by Em. George Weeks and Em. Russ Lynn. Other members of the patrol active in St. Omer are: Joe Stead, Thatcher Taylor, Arthur Davis, Fred Marshall, Alonzo Reed, Roland Paul and Gus Johnson.

Em. William F. Sharpe, Jr., has recently been elected an honorary member of Palestine Commandery and also of Quincy Commandery.

I regret to report the passing of Samuel Barron, a former member of the patrol, at the Boston City Hospital on August 17.

We have also lost Fred Weatherby, a member of the patrol for many years. Noble Weatherby died at his home in West Roxbury, August 28. He was for many years chief storekeeper for the School Department of Boston, and was a member of Baalbec Lodge, St. John's Chapter, William Parkman Commandery and Massachusetts Consistory.

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### "I'LL WRITE MYSELF A LETTER"

NO, on second thought we won't —  
We're getting enough of 'em as it is.

We received a letter recently from Noble "Bill" Gens, one of the bass section, from which we quote the following:

"I don't know who keeps the band records, but you evidently left out a good many of the old-timers in your recent article in ALEPPO NEWS. I was not going to say a word about this, but L. Carpenter rightfully protested when he was overlooked, so I thought I would get my ten cents worth in also. I have been a member since 1919; that's 26 years ago. Moving to New York after that and considering the distance I have to travel to attend a rehearsal or ceremonial, I still show a great interest in the band. Many times I arrange my business trips to fit in so I can attend an affair and help out the boys. Many living nearer than I do have a poorer attendance record. Now, Charlie, I don't want to be classed with those old men, but I don't want to be shelved just because I can't come up every week. You may find you put yourself in the dog-house with that article. When I see you I will have to match you, to see if you owe me an apology, or if I owe you a drink."

Yes, Bill, we not only find ourself in the dog-house but tied to it with a "double cable tow." When we compiled the data for that "cause celebre," i.e., the history of Aleppo Band, we did not have any of the old records, only the current membership, and as our memory was a trifle hazy omissions were bound to occur.

In regard to Bill's suggestion that when he sees us he will match to see if we owe him an apology, or he will owe us a drink — we will split fifty-fifty with him; that is we will apologize and he can buy us a drink. "Fair Enough" as Westbrook Pegler would say. The next time anyone asks us to get historical we will get hysterical and the answer will be NO!

Noble Charles "Fiddler" McGee is a busy man these days, acting as Liaison representative for the Masonic Military Service Activities, and in a little pamphlet issued by that organization it gives him quite a boost. We quote: — "Picture a patient in a contagious ward being visited by a cheery, white haired little man, himself a veteran of the last war, suddenly discovering that they were shipmates in the last war. Picture a sailor with an injured spine forced to lie face down, unable to move, who after one or two visits from this cheerful emissary began to look forward to his calls and the nurse telling our Liaison "Come and see him as often as you can. You have done him more good than all the doctors and nurses in the world. He needs your cheerful friendship."

That looks like making the teachings of Masonry an actuality.

Anything is liable to happen at the circus, and usually does. For instance:



PRESIDENT TRUMAN GETS NEW SHRINE FEZ — President Truman, a member of Ararat Shrine Temple of Kansas City, wears a new fez presented to him by Frank S. Land (center), Founder and Secretary of DeMolay, and William Woodfield (right), of San Francisco, Imperial Potentate of the Shrine of North America, as they invited the President to the 1946 Shrine Convention at San Francisco. The President turns new desk trinket to "Scram" in joking with crew of photographers. Other sides of gadget say, "Yes" and "No."

How did Noble Charlie Leavitt come to walk off with Noble Herman Brightman's suit case, leaving Herman stranded at the

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## A TIMELY MESSAGE FROM OUR IMPERIAL POTENTATE

IN this joyous, yet awesome, hour of peace there could be no finer editorial for a Shrine magazine than this message from our Imperial Potentate, Illustrious William H. Woodfield, Jr.:

"The guns are silenced. The bomb bay doors are closed. Our ships ride quietly in the waters of the Seven Seas.

"Peace in America — and throughout the world!

"In this new dawn of Peace, the beat of the world's heart quickens. Its men are coming home!

"In small apartments in big cities, in ranch houses of the West, in New England fishing shacks, in homes across the nation, loved ones embrace loved ones. In every heart and on every tongue is the universal resolution, 'It must not happen again.'

"But in other homes there can be no reunion. The hearts and empty arms of parents, sweethearts and little children can only embrace the burning memory of someone near and dear who gave his life that others might live again in a world of decent freedom.

"More than 50,000 fellow Nobles of the Mystic Shrine served their country in the military forces during this worst of all wars. Many will not return. Their names are marked by a gold star on our rolls of honor. To these men whom we knew and to all who made the supreme sacrifice, and to their families and friends, there are no words to express our humble gratitude and thanks for their deeds.

"The debt must be paid in conduct — not in words.

"Every living individual must now determine how he can best contribute to what we pray God may be an unbroken era of Peace. The enormous problems of world statesmanship cannot be settled fully by world leaders. They can only draw the framework and the foundation. Nor can ultimate Peace, happiness and security be mapped and managed by state and municipal governments.

"The answer lies in the heart and mind of every man, woman and child. Each must ask searchingly of himself, 'What can I do now to deserve a share of the Peace for which so many good men have given their lives?'

"Let the Peace and the solutions to our post-war problems hammer in our consciousness every waking hour for the rest of our lives. It is no less a crime to sabo-

tage a Peace than to sabotage a war. It is one and the same thing.

"I call on every Noble of the Mystic Shrine to search his heart and mind to determine the utmost contribution he can make to a war-weary world, now eager and prayerful for an enduring Peace and the universal love of mankind.

"It is the greatest responsibility and the clearest challenge we will face in our lifetime!"



## PRESIDENT TRUMAN INVITED TO SHRINE CONVENTION

SHRINERS everywhere will be intensely interested in the fact that our new President is a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, a member of Ararat Temple, Kansas City, Mo.

A picture of President Truman wearing the Shrine fez of a Past Potentate of Ararat Temple appears in this issue. The fez was presented to him on the occasion of a visitation by Imperial Potentate William H. Woodfield, Jr., and Past Potentate Frank S. Land of Ararat Temple, at which time these distinguished Nobles extended to the President an invitation to attend the 1946 convention of the Imperial Council of the Shrine to be held in San Francisco next June.

The President accepted the invitation and assured the Imperial Potentate he would be on hand if conditions permitted.

President Truman was born at Lamar, Missouri, on May 8, 1884, and is a member of Grandview Lodge of Missouri, of which he is a Past Master.

He is a member of Orient Chapter, at Kansas City, and Palestine Commandery, Knights Templar, of Independence, Missouri. He is a 32° Mason with membership in Consistory Western Missouri No. 2, of Kansas City, and an active member of the Grand Council, Order of DeMolay.

He was a line officer of Ararat Temple but resigned when elected to the Senate, giving as his reason that he did not want to neglect the duties of his office.

The President of the United States is a Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Masons, State of Missouri, having served in 1940-1941.

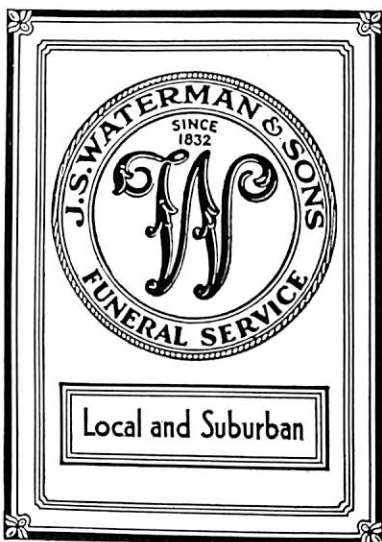


By VAIL K. HAAK  
Associate Editor

THE Aleppo Bowling League will open their bowling season at The Boston City Club, Thursday, October 25 at 7.30 p.m. If you have not bowled with us before be on hand, we will be glad to see you.

The Amateur Boston Pin League will open its season on Monday October 22. Aleppo will again be represented in this league and will bowl its first match at The Cottage Park Yacht Club.

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## Have You Made Returns on Your Shrine Circus Tickets? IF NOT, THE CIRCUS COMMITTEE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR ASSISTANCE IN CLOSING THE BOOKS OF THE FIFTH ANNUAL CIRCUS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE BY THE RETURN OF YOUR TICKETS AND A CHECK TO COVER THOSE USED, AS WELL AS DADDY TICKETS.

YOU CAN STILL JOIN THE DADDY CLUB. READ BELOW.

THE Nobles of Aleppo Temple were hosts at the Fifth Annual Circus in Boston Garden to thousands of orphaned, underprivileged and crippled kiddies through the medium of the "Daddies Club." This Daddy Club membership is composed of the Nobles and friends of Aleppo who purchased tickets to the Shrine Circus and returned them to the Circus Committee to be used for the purpose of admitting these youngsters.

The Circus Committee was deluged with requests from institutions, schools and homes throughout Greater Boston. As the requests received from these thousands of children far exceeded the number of tickets donated to our Daddy Club, the committee are still in hopes of receiving returns on sales of tickets together with the purchase of Daddy tickets to be used to balance the account. Therefore, if you have not already joined the Daddies Club, you can greatly relieve the pressure on the Circus Committee and join the club now by sending in your check and Daddy tickets at once.

The names of the Nobles who joined the Daddies Club up to September 12 have been previously published. We publish in this issue the third Daddy list, comprising the names of those who joined the club from September 12 to October 8 inclusive. Those Nobles who join the Daddies Club after that date will have their names published in the November issue of the ALEPPO MONTHLY NEWS.

We would appreciate your contributions, Noble.

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#### LADIES' BRIDGE COMMITTEE ACTIVE

THE Aleppo Temple Ladies' Bridge Committee, Mrs. Justin A. Duncan, Chairman, recently met to formulate plans for the coming Shrine Bridge to be held in the Imperial Ballroom of the Statler Hotel, Boston, Wednesday afternoon, October 31, at 2 P.M.

The committee expects a capacity crowd again this fall and is planning many innovations for the entertainment of the ladies participating.

The Bridge Committee again plans to present a prize for each table in addition to the many door prizes which has been one of the interesting highlights of former Shrine Bridge Parties. The committee would appreciate donations of candy and articles suitable for door prizes. These donations may be left at the Aleppo Temple Headquarters, 97 Huntington Ave., Boston, or if more convenient, notify the committee chairman, Mrs. Justin A. Duncan, 52 Lowell Road, Winthrop. Telephone OCEAN 1110 and she will arrange to send for them.

As in former Shrine Bridge Parties ladies are asked to bring their own playing cards to assist in this Charity Bridge.

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AMONG the 15 Temples of the Shrine who have sold more than 1,000 memberships in the Endowment Fund of the Shrine Hospitals is Aleppo Temple with a total of 1,126. This places Aleppo Temple in thirteenth place among the 159 Temples, which is an appropriate spot as thirteen is Aleppo's number in Shrinedom.

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These memberships may also be purchased in memory of a deceased relative or friend as well as by organizations.

#### NOBLE BADGER INSTALLED COMMANDER

AT a regular meeting of DeMolay Commandery No. 7 K.T. held Wednesday evening, September 25, 1945, at the Masonic Temple, Boston, in a very colorful ceremony the officers of DeMolay Commandery were installed by Eminent Sir Clarence R. Davis assisted by Eminent Sir Harry P. Kenison, both of whom

are past commanders of this Commandery. Over two hundred friends and guests including Right Eminent Sir G. Lester Marston, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island and suite witnessed the Ceremony.

The following officers were installed: Henry L. Badger, Commander; John J. Mick, Generalissimo; Alton L. Miller, Captain-General; Alfred J. Conlan, Senior Warden; Harry M. N. Shank, Junior Warden; Walter A. Smith, Prelate; Harry P. Kenison, Treasurer; Sumner S. Hammond, Recorder; James M. Hindle, Standard Bearer; Lester M. Clark, Sword Bearer; Elliott N. Holley, Warder; Frank V. Finn, Sentinel; Norman G. Brownsword, Assistant Sentinel.

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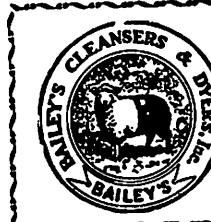
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## RAY KIEMAN SPEAKS TO 400 AT SHRINE LUNCHEON

OVER 400 members of Aleppo and their guests attended the September Shrine Luncheon in the Copley Plaza Hotel, Boston, and listened attentively to an address by Mr. Ray Kierman, News and City Editor of the *Boston Traveler*.

Brother Kierman, who is a member of Theodore Roosevelt Lodge of Quincy and one of the most outstanding newspaper men in this part of the country, spoke on the subject "Post-War Opinions." Mr. Kierman foresaw the possibility of an armed clash in the future between Great Britain and Russia, possibly involving the United States and urged that this country use its enormous economic, military and diplomatic power to prevent any such conflict.

"Peace rests in the hands of these three powers," Kierman said, "and particularly in the hands of the United States, which should exercise its strength as arbiter and, if necessary, as counter-aggressor against any nation which disturbs peace."

It was Brother Kierman's second appearance before Aleppo Temple's Luncheon Club this year, he having spoken on January 18 last.

The next Shrine Luncheon will be held in the Statler Hotel, Tuesday, October 23. At this second luncheon of the season the Guest Speaker will be Felix W. Knauth, Chief, Advisement and Guidance, Sub-division Vocational Rehabilitation Division of the Veterans Administration.

Mr. Knauth, who will speak on the interesting and instructive subject: "Functions of Veterans Administration in Massachusetts," is a graduate of Harvard University and served in the 101st Field Artillery of the 26th Division in 1917-19. He was wounded at Belleau Wood and received the Purple Heart and Silver Star with Oak Leaf.

Mr. Knauth served for 15 years as a department store executive, 2 years in the National Refugee Service and 3 years in Army Ordnance.

This luncheon, which will start as usual at 12:30 P.M. and adjourn at 2:00 P.M., promises to be an outstanding event of Aleppo Temple this year.

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